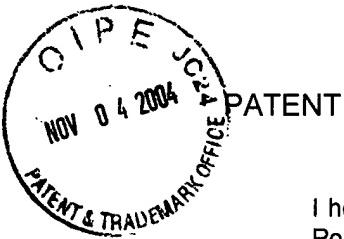


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2004, Applicants elect, with traverse, to proceed with the examination of Species I of Figures 1-4. Accordingly, Figures 1-4 are the only figures remaining in the instant application.

Figures 3-15 have been canceled from the instant application as being directed to a non-elected invention and Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application(s) or take appropriate action to protect their invention to the non-elected claims.

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All of the claims are directed to the on-line monitoring and analysis of a fluid by data or temperature. Therefore, a relationship exists between all the groups of the claims. Thus, the restriction requirement is improper and should be removed.

If for any reason the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, it is respectfully requested that he call Applicant's attorney at 440-347-5072.

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